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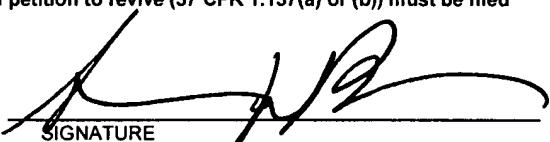
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 21901 US (C038435/0196414)
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2004/009048	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 12 August 2004	U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/569784
PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 26 August 2003		
TITLE OF INVENTION USE OF BIOTIN OR A BIOTIN DERIVATIVE FOR SKIN LIGHTENING PURPOSES AND FOR THE TREATMENT OF SENILE LENTIGINES		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Roland JERMANN and Helmut LUTHER		
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